

THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART  
ARTIST BIOGRAPHY

Please complete and return the following questionnaire for our reference file on Cleveland Artists.

FULL NAME: *Yetta Rosenberg (Katz)*  
DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: *March 19 - 1905 - New York City*  
PRIMARY MEDIA *Sculpture*

ART TRAINING - Schools, Scholarships, etc.:

*Cleveland School of Art.*

EXHIBITIONS IN WHICH YOUR WORK HAS BEEN SHOWN:

*Everson Museum - Syracuse*  
*May Shows since 1937*  
*Butler Museum*  
*Las Vegas National - Nevada*  
*Lake Erie College*  
*Canton Museum*

*Ohio State Fair Sculpture Prize*  
*Allegheny College*  
*Patterson Art Gallery N.Y.*  
*Mather Gallery - One Man Show*  
*Woman's City Club*  
*Cincinnati Tri State Show*

COLLECTIONS WHICH NOW INCLUDE YOUR WORK:

*William Milliken - glazed plate at San Francisco World Fair*  
*Mrs Frank Porter*  
*Robert Coplan*  
*Noah Butkin*

AWARDS:

*1937 Honorable mention - May Show - 1942 - 1941*  
*" " " Syracuse National*  
*Third Prize - May Show*  
*who's who in American Art*

PRESENT POSITION:

*Large abstract Bronze 12 1/2 ft H - Temple Branch, Shaker*  
*working on 10 ft bronze abstract for Suburban Temple to be up this year,*

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We would appreciate any information regarding subsequent awards, purchases, exhibitions and scholarships.  
Thank you for your cooperation.



THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART  
QUESTIONNAIRE

Dear Yetta Rosenberg

We are trying to build a biographical record of Cleveland Artists for reference. May we enlist your assistance with the following data?

FULL NAME: Yetta (Schiffman) Rosenberg MEDIA: Sculpture

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: march 19, 1906 new York City

ART TRAINING - Schools, Scholarships, etc:

Cleveland Institute of Art 1924 - '25  
1953 - 54 - 55 - 56

EXHIBITIONS IN WHICH YOUR WORK HAS BEEN SHOWN:

Cleveland Museum of Art May Shows  
National Ceramic - 1936 Syracuse Museum & travel Contemporary  
Everson National Ceramic many times Am. invited to Denmark Sweden Finland  
Golden Gate Exposition - '41  
Everson 1959 - Ceramic International traveling show arrive at Clev. Museum  
Butler Museum Winton Place - Clev. Toledo Museum

COLLECTIONS WHICH NOW INCLUDE YOUR WORK:

Bowl at Golden Gate - San Francisco was sold to 11/26/41  
Mr. William Milliken.

AWARDS:

Honorable mention - National Ceramic Everson Museum  
many Honorable Mentions Clev May Shows in past -  
2nd Prize " " " Ceramic Sculpture  
3rd Prize " " - 1948 May Show Ceramic Sculpture  
PRESENT POSITION: Toledo Museum

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We would greatly appreciate it if you would inform us of subsequent awards, purchases, exhibitions and scholarships. Thankyou for your cooperation.

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Assistant Curator of Paintings

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## OBITUARIES

# Yetta Rosenberg, 89

By RICHARD M. PEERY

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### SHAKER HEIGHTS

Yetta Rosenberg was a sculptor whose work was exhibited across the country as well as in Canada and South America. She first entered the May Show at the Cleveland Museum of Art in 1929. She continued to produce new work in her 80s.

Mrs. Rosenberg, 89, died yesterday at her home in Shaker Heights.

She was born Yetta Schiffman in Columbus. Her family moved to Cleveland when she was 7. She graduated from Central High School and studied painting in the 1920s at the Cleveland School of Art, now known as the Cleveland

Institute of Art.

That was in the days when physicians made house calls. She met Dr. David V. Rosenberg when he came to her home to treat her brother. They were married 39 years until Dr. Rosenberg died in 1967.

Although Mrs. Rosenberg was trained as a painter, she was attracted to ceramics because she could use form as well as color.

She displayed ceramic work in leading museums in the 1930s. When a large and important clay piece was damaged en route to a national show, Mrs. Rosenberg bought a hunk of marble to make something that wouldn't break.

But she did not leave ceramics

immediately. The marble remained in the family garage for almost five years before she picked up store screw drivers, a hammer and sandpaper and turned it into art. It was purchased by a collector, and that ended her clay period.

"I am happy with hard surfaces which I can develop into sensuous curves and rhythms," she later wrote.

Mrs. Rosenberg's work was exhibited in leading museums and galleries over a span of more than 50 years. They included the Syracuse Museum of Fine Arts, Butler Institute of American Art and the San Francisco Museum of Art.

She also worked in bronze. In the 1970s she produced "Flame," a 13-foot metal outdoor sculpture for

## sculptor of renown

the Temple Branch in Pepper Pike and "Man's Reach," a 12-foot bronze piece for the campus of Suburban Temple in Beachwood.

Mrs. Rosenberg also taught throughout her career. She taught students in the basement of the home the family bought in 1944 on Courtland Rd. in Shaker Heights. She maintained a studio on Buckeye Rd. at 127th St. for a dozen years.

Mrs. Rosenberg received many awards in competitions, ranging from a ceramics exhibition in the 1930s to the Ohio State Fair in the 1970s and the National League of American Pen Women Art Exhibition in Atlanta, Ga., in the 1970s.

Mrs. Rosenberg had been a member of the Garden Club of

Greater Cleveland, the Council of Jewish Women, American Pen Women, the Mt. Sinai Medical Center Auxiliary, the Temple and Suburban Temple.

She liked sailing and was a first mate at the Mentor Yacht Club.

Mrs. Rosenberg was married to William Katz, a longtime family friend, for 16 years until he died in 1986.

Mrs. Rosenberg is survived by daughters, Joann Plotkin of Beachwood and Mimi Rose of Shaker Heights; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and two brothers.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Sunday at the Berkowitz-Kumin-Bookatz memorial chapel, 1985 S. Taylor Rd.



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#### NATIONAL EXHIBITIONS

Las Vegas National-Nevada 1971  
Everson Museum, Syracuse National Show 1940  
Everson Museum, Syracuse International 1957

#### THIRD PRIZE

Cleveland Museum 1943

#### HONORABLE MENTIONS

Cleveland Museum of Art 1937 -'41 -'42  
Syracuse National Exhibition Everson Museum 1938  
Who's Who in American Art 1947

#### COMBINED SHOWS

2 Women-Womens City Club 1972  
Patterson Gallery - New York 1975  
Lake Erie College '73  
5 Ohio Women-Allegheny College Pa. 1975

#### ONE WOMAN SHOW

Mather Gallery 1976

Bronze Abstract Sculpture, 13 ft. High, 1976

Temple Branch - Shaker Blvd.

Bronze Abstract Sculpture called "Man's Reach"

12 ft. High placed at Suburban Temple in Oct. '77.  
Cleveland Museum May Show 1977

#### OTHER MUSEUM EXHIBITED IN:

Butler Museum 1972  
Canton Museum 1974  
Toledo Museum  
Tri State Exhibit Cincinnati Ohio  
Ohio State Fair Sculpture Prize 1974